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NON- SANCTION OF WORK UNDER MPLADS
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Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received certain complaints regarding non-sanction of works under MPLADS;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government has also received complaints against certain Members of Parliament demanding commission from MPLADS fund; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and actions taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE), MINISTRY OF COAL AND STATISTICS & PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a)&(b) The complaints have been received in this Ministry from time to time about non-sanction of works under MPLAD Scheme within the stipulated period of 45 days. As the matter relates to district authorities, these complaints are sent to them for compliance under the provisions of the guidelines. The reasons for delay in sanctioning, as given by the district authorities, inter-alia, includes technical feasibility, preparation of cost estimates by implementing agencies, availability of land, forest clearance, etc.

(c) & (d) Two complaints from public relating to allegedly seeking of commission by certain Members of Parliament have been received in the Ministry. These were examined by respective district authorities who have informed that the recommended works have been cancelled by the MPs themselves before execution of works, which is permissible under the guidelines. Hence, such complaints have no substance.